Oh! The joy of being alive!
To be sound of body and brain.
With pulses that leap to strive,
And muscles that crave the difficult feat,
To battle with wind and rain,
To struggle with snow and sieet,
In the tumbling surf to mest That strongest foe of ries, the sea. To feel her tug at the sest, And boffet the face with a heavy hand; And measure strength with her brainless



"How else, indeed?" she said,

As she had grown more remote

"I must go on!" he said excitedly

"I've gone too far, now, not to put you

to the test, even if I make the blunder

piness, my whole life, on the throw. I

can't live without you, and I won't

It's a threat, if you like-I know what

I'm saving. You will have me, won't

There was a knock at the door,

"Come in!" she called, welcoming

A maid entered, bearing a letter

which she put in Miss Allison's hand.

"You must answer me now!" Con

She held the evelope in her slim,

tapering fingers, delicately, as if re-

celving some subtle, sentient impres-

ment while I read this letter?" she

"No. I won't!" he cried distracted-

at a time like this? If you mean to

refuse me, you might at least do it

"I'm not sure what I may do," she said, softly. "It may be better for

you if you wait, though I don't prom-

ise it will. I don't recognize this

handwriting at all, but somehow I

have a feeling that it will help me to

answer you. Of course, though, I

may be mistaken. I wish you'd let

He walked to the other end of the

room and stood, moodily, at the win-

dow, looking out. She tore open the

envelope and found two inclosures

At the sight of one, as it fell upon her

lap, half-opened, her color changed,

and her breath came faster. She read

"My Dear Miss Allison: I am sending you berewith a letter which would have been sent many months ago, had I been

able to determine positively for whom I

but had strength enough only to ask me to deliver this letter, without being able

to communicate the proper address. You will understand that it was a delicate matter to find the person for whom it was meant, as none of his friends knew

of your engagement to him. It was almost a year before I was able to be sure that it was meant for you. I hope that you will forgive the delay and will believe me worthy of his and of your confidence. MARGARET TABARD."

Miss Allison cast a swift glance

towards the window before she took

up the second sheet. Conrad had not

stirred. She held the penciled paper

"My Dear, Dear: I have only a few minutes, perhaps, before we go into ac-tion, and some presentiment, which by to-morrow will probably prove to have

Miss Allison looked up through her

tears to see Conrad watching her

from across the room. He came over

She spoke as steadily as she could.

making a great effort to master her

self. Conrad saw her now, for the

first time, perhaps, struggling openly

"I was right," she said, "this letter

has beloed me, and told me what my

with an overpowering emotion. She

took both her hands.

had come into the light.

to the light.

"Why should you trifle with me

"Will you excuse me for a mo-

Conrad became more fervent. It was

strength, And in spite of her might, to stand cap or swim at the will's command. Oh! Life is sweet!

-Justin Stern.

A TRUE LOVER

even than that.

you, Aimee?

rad exclaimed.

asked, trembling.

quickly and mercifully."

me try it, Conrad."

By GELETT BURGESS

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A younger man would have called | Miss Allison effete. He might have dreamily. "That's what I'm wonder-said that she was "burned out." But ing. Yet there might be a better way it was evident from Conrad's manner that he did not think so, that he at least had hopes of arousing her. He still held her cold hand and pleaded as if he hastened after her, to draw with her, a lover amply qualified in her back as often as she eluded him ardor and freshness.

She did not seek to restrain him with any gesture of protest-that was not her way-she gazed at him stead- of my life. I'm risking my whole hapfastly, her hazel eyes suffused. Her eyes showed too much wearness, almost too much wisdom, for her age; but neither quality detracted from the compelling, romantic charm of her face; rather did it lend a more piquant contradiction to its soft contour.

"Can't I wake you up?" he dethe delay. Conrad rose in anger. "Can't I do something to make you break through yourself? Do than left the room. In an instant I have to set the house on fire before Aimee's poise had asserted its domyou will show your soul at the window? You're the kind of woman for ination. She looked curiously at the address. whom men do wild things."

She leaned slightly forward towards him for an instant, and, in the height of his fervor, her hand returned his pressure. For that instant he had succeeded in shaking off her apathy.

'You're a dear!" she exclaimed, with her quick, sudden smile. "You're so young and so deliciously virile. You know how fond I am of you, don't you?"

"I've a good mind to strike you!" he said. "I wonder what you'd do? Would you give one honest shrick of

She patted his hand gently. "I suppose not," she sighed. "I can't imagine your terrifying me. I'd be sorry you showed such poor taste, that's all. Please don't strike me, Conrad!"

"Don't joke about it," he said, sul-"You know well enough what

Yes; I know what you meant. But I don't know what's the matter. I suppose you don't love me enough." "I don't love you enough!" he re-

"How could I possibly love peated. Jul more?" "I don't know," she replied, a little the other one first, however:

wearily, sinking back into the cush-"But if you really love me enough you could make me love you, able to determine positively for whom it was intended. It was written by Lieut. Treme on the night of the engagement in which he was killed. He was probably compelled to fall in suddenly, before he had time either to complete or address the letter. I attended Lieut. Treme in the field hospital, and was with him till he died. He recovered consciousness for a little while after the operation, but had strength enough only to ask me I'm sure. You say you really care,



Deliberately Took His Hand.

and I am very, very fond of you, Con-

so, in case anything should happen, there's one thing I want to tell you, if I could only know how to do it. In spite of all that has happened, it may be possible that you don't quite realize just how much I care for you, dear girl. It may be more than you think. It's so much more than I can realize. No one ever can want you as much as I want you, but even more than that, I want you to be happy—in your own way, not "Are you really dead, then? Is your soul lost forever? I tell you it is not possible for a man to go farther than

possible for a man to go farther than I've gone. No man could love a woman more utterly and desperately!"

"I wonder if that's true?" she said, half to herself. "There's no thermometer to take lovers' temperatures, Conrad. I wish you could make me sure, so sure that I might let myself go, at last. I'd love to give it all up and trust you!"

She legged towards him again and words are so when I say that, if there's wonderstand me when I say that, if there's

deliberately took his hand.

She leaned towards him again and eliberately took his hand.

"Just how much do you love me? 'ell me!" she asked, her eyes tender-by resting upon his face.

"Would be much case?. So I nope you would be much case? So I nope you would be with a say that, if there's ever any other man who I say that, if there's ever any other man who can make you happler than I, or can even make you happle than I would be would Tell me!" she asked, her eyes tenderly resting upon his face.

"How much? How can one say?
How can one know? I might say all the foolish, silly things that lovers of my sake! Believe me, this comes from my heart; believe that it is, as well as I can measure it, the height and the depth of my love for you.

the foolish, silly things that lovers say in books, but what good would that do? I would die for you!"

"That's silly enough to satisfy even a woman," she said, smiling. "I wonder what that means, precisely? I have come across the sentiment often enough in books and on the stage. It's supposed to be immensely significant. What possible favor would it he? If a Miss Allison looked no through her What possible favor would it be? If a man did it to protect her, that's nothing-any man should be willing to do that for any woman. But you would to her eagerly, his eyes shining, and in June. Spring trimming induces do it as a mere favor if I asked you?" Suppose you oblige me by jump-

ing out of the window, then," she suggested. "Do you mean it?" he demanded

"Oh, bless you, no! I'm really afraid you might do it. But I'll never know. Sit down and tell me another

thing. Are you jealous?" "Of course I am! I couldn't bear to answer should be. I have known, in think of another man being anything my life, one truly magnanimous man. to you-in the way I want to be, I You have asked me if there were any I want you for my own self, better way that a man could love, and I must have you, to keep, to protect, he has told me. There is a better to possess! How else could any man way, Conrad, and I can never accept feel who really loved you as you anything less than that, for I have should be loved-any man with a had the most that a woman can have! He understood!" Venet worth having?"



FOR FRUIT PICKERS.

Device Which Holds Basket and Leaves Hands Free to Work.

To enable fruit pickers to use both hands freely while carrying the baskets which they are filling. Mr. George S. Paine of Winslow, Me., has invented a basket holder, which easily may be secured in operative position by means of an adjustable strap passed around the waist. The holder consists of a trough-shaped member of sheet metal, which securely binds the basket in place. It is particularly designed to hold a pair of small baskets or boxes of the type in which berries are usually sold, but it will be evident that the holder could only be adapted to carrying baskets of other types. As shown in the accompanying illustration, says Scientific American, the sheet metal trough A is provided with an offset at one side, and an outwardly inclined wall, B. At the opposite



Basket Holder for Fruit.

side the trough is made fast to a block which is curved to fit the body. Secured to this block is a metal band provided with buttons at each end, to which a strap may be secured. This strap is provided with a number of buttonholes, so that it may be adjusted to the size of waist of the person on whom the holder is mounted. When placing the baskets in the trough, A, they will rest on the offset at the forward side thereof, and the extension, B, will press against them and bind them in place. The baskets will thus securely be retained against accidental displacement as the operator moves from place to place. Obviously the use of this holder

STARTING A YOUNG ORCHARD. Points to Be Observed in Securing a Good Growth.

will effect a considerable economy;;

for, with both hands free, the operator

will be able to pick a much larger

quantity of fruit in a given time.

There are many farmers who keep themselves busy saying that there is no pay in bothering with an orchard. and with them and the way they man age it, it does not pay.

After you have set the trees the work of a profitable orchard is not all gave a supper to 80 of his friends, and done. That is only the beginning, and wrote a note to each of them privately it is well to make a good beginning. but the young trees need some future care. They need cultivating especially while young. You had possibly better not set trees at all as to set them in sod and let the grass grow up around them, for then they will grow slow, be stunted, and likely die before coming into bearing. The grass takes up the moisture and the plant food, and robs the tree of vitality.

Young trees should be cultivated frequently for the first few years unless you know a better method. Some are using the mulch method and I think it is all right so far as the tree is concerned. I think it is fully as good as cultivating if it does not make too much of a harbor for mice. I have to-morrow will probably prove to have been nervousness, makes me want to write a word to you before the fun com-mences. It may be that I won't pull through this time. The officers have been picked off in a rather masty way, of inte. So, in case anything should happen, never tried this method.

My success in caring for the young orchard, writes an orchardist in Farm ers' Mall and Breeze, has been to cultivate the young trees during the spring and summer and go over the ground about once a week, or after every rain. Keep the surface cultivated. Either do this by growing some crop which needs cultivating, or be sure and go through the trees anyway. Likely you will neglect it if you do not plant some crop, and the crop will not hurt the trees.

Set the young trees on good ground so they will grow well, and plant potatoes between the rows or any other crop, but be sure and keep the surface cultivated.

Good Pruning Rules Here are a few fruit tree pruning rules: Trim a little every year, rather than much in any one year. Peach trees require more pruning than most trees; at least one-half of the new growth should be removed each season. Cherry trees require the least pruning; merely cut out dead, broken or "crossed" limbs. Other trees need a judicious thinning out and, sometimes, "cutting back." If two branches interlock, remove the smaller one. Avoid cutting so as to leave "stubs: make neat cuts close to union; paint all large wounds. Be chary of cutting off large limbs; if it must be done, saw on underside first, partly through, and then saw from above. Prune now or wood growth; June trimming induces fruit growth. Which do you want?

Results of Cleaning Seed. Very few farmers here are using winnowing machines, though I find that corn and grass seeds are greatly improved by their use, and the result of this cleaning is nearly a solid crop of grain or grass. All seed brought in from the outside should be cleaned, declares a farmer correspondent of Farmers' Review, and I say emphatically that no chances should be taken in this matter, as I have known of

very bad weeds being introduced

through carelessness in this regard.

IN MANY LINES OF BUSINESS.

Witness Evidently Was a Man of Unusual Qualifications.

S. T. Jocelyn of Wichita was court tenographer for Judge Pancoast of Oklahoma for several years. One time a case was being tried before Judge Pancoast and they were endeavoring to find out through a witness whether there had been any liquor sold.

"What is your business?" asked the lawyer. "My business?" repeated the witness laconically. "Ob, I have lots of business." "Answer the question," said the lawyer. "What is your business?" "Must I tell all my business?" insisted the witness again. "Answer the question," interposed the judge severely.

"Well," responded he cheerfully, "I'm deputy sheriff and city marshal for Guiner, janitor of the church and bartender of the El Paso saloon."-

Kansas Čity Times. EYESIGHT WAS IN DANGER

From Terrible Eczema-Baby's Head a Mass of Itching Rash and Sores -- Disease Cured by Cuticura.

"Our little girl was two months old when she got a rash on her face and within five days her face and head remedies but it got worse instead of then I had her under our family doctor's care, but she continued to grow two months our baby was a different sore and she was as fair as a newborn baby. She has not had a sign of the eczema since. Mrs. H. F. Budke, LeSueur, Minn., Apr. 15 and May 2, '07."

Leisure to Burn.

"My dear," asked the overworked business manager of his wife, as he tried to write a check for her, answer and give instructions to a floor-walker, at one and the same time: "My dear, In that 'Great Beyond,' do you supto my lot?"

sweetly, "you will doubtless have here visiting his brother-in-law. Now leisure to burn."----Illustrated Sunday Magazine.

LUMBAGO

This is really Rheumatism of the Muscles of the Loins and is characterized by a severe, at times, agonizing pain in the small of the back, allowing the sufferer scarcely a moment's It can come from cold, exposure to draft, from getting wet feet or wearing wet or damp clothing. It causes acute suffering, and if allowed to be come chronic it may permanently disable the sufferer. The way to secure quickest relief is to redden the skin over the painful part by rubbing with a flesh brush or piece of flannel rag, and then apply ST. JACOBS OIL by gentle friction with the hand.

John Lawrence Toole, the most popular low comedian of his day, once beforehand, asking him whether he would be so good as to say grace, as no clergyman would be present. It is said that the faces of those 80 men as they rose in a body when Toole tapped on the table, as a signal for grace, was a sight which will never

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Didn't Deny It. "That sharp-tongued Miss Redpepp has been saying some mighty mean things about you and your wife."

"What, for instance?" "Says you picked her up at a bargain counter.

"Great Scott, I did! She was the prettiest girl that ever stood behind

WHAT CAUSES HEADACHE. ctober to May, Colds are the most fre-tune of Headache, LAXATIVE BROMO (Eremoves cause, E.W.Grove on box 25c

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CLIMATE IS IDEAL

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GROWING GRAIN. Writing from Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada, W. H. Ellwanger, who was formerly a resident of Green Mountain, Iowa, says: "The climate in summer is ideal for growing grain. Long, clear days of sunshine, no bad storms. We never need to guard against cyclones; I never saw a better climate in my life. We made more money during the season of 1906 than any previous five years in central Iowa-one of the best districts in the state." But Mr. Ellwanger was a resident of the town, and it might be more interesting to read what a farmer has to say about Western Canada, From hundreds of letters all filled with words of praise, recounting success in Western Canada there has been one selected. It is as follows: Paynton, Sask., Canada,

Dec. 10th, 1907. To Whom This May Concern: I moved to this address February 3,

1997, from Montgomery, Iowa, and took a homestead 35 miles north of Paynton. It was cold when I moved here but it did not stay cold long; it broke up the 8th of February, and was were all one sore. We used different | not so cold after that but the spring was late on account of the heavy snow better and we thought she would turn fall, but in spite of the late spring I blind and that her ears would fall off. saw better grain than I ever saw in She suffered terribly, and would the states, raised this year. I helped scratch until the blood came. This a man finish sowing cats the 4th of went on until she was five months old, July and they made fair oats. In a good year oats will go 100 bushels to the acre and wheat 25 to 50; all root worse. He said it was eczema. When | crops do well here. I saw turnips weigh she was seven months old I started 7 and 8 pounds, I raised potatoes this to use the Cuticura Remedies and in year that measured 111/2 inches one way and 181/2 the other in cirgirl. You could not see a sign of a cumference. This is a fine stock country; hay in abundance, good water, plenty of fuel, free and plenty of building material—the government gives us timber to saw into lumber and we can get it sawed for about \$6.00 per thousand. All small fruit grows wild here, then there are ducks, geese, grouse, pheasants, deer, moose, elk and fish in abundance. I was over the telephone, receipt the expressman, to Turtle Lake yesterday where there is lots of fishing being done this winter. I saw about a carload of white fish in one pile. I gave 25 cents for pose any of the elegant leisure, of 86 pounds of fish. What do you think which the preacher tells us, will fall of that, Brother Yankee? I think this is a fine place both to make money "Sure, John," answered his wife, and to live. There was an old man up this man owns land close to Des Moines, Iowa, and is in good circumstances, but he took a homestead and says he will be contented if he can only put in the rest of his days in Canada. He would get up in the mornand look out of the door and say: "Well, who wouldn't live in Canada? Now I have been in 13 different states in the United States, and I never saw rest, while the ailment is at its worst. the chance that there is here for a man that has a little muscle and a little brains. Three cheers for Canada! (Signed.)

W. A. SPICE." This is the temperature through November. I took it myself so I know it is right, in the shade:

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Oh, Pshaw! One of the consuls to Persia, during a recent visit home, said at a dinner in

Chicago: "The present shah will never be the equal of his predecessor. What a character the late shah was. He never opened his mouth without saving something worth repeating.

"Lady Drummond Wolfe once got permission to visit the shah's harem. She took a friend with her, a Miss Blank, who was about to be married. The two English women wandered over the splendid palace, among the hundreds of beautiful girls, and presently the shah encountered them.

'Come here,' he said to Miss Blank. in his crude French.

"She approached. He looked closely "'You are about to be married?' he

said. "'Yes, your highness."

"'It's late!'

Safe Place.

"It states here that bulldog shoes are in fashion again," remarked Mr. Stubb as he perused the "latest styles for men" column.

"That so?" laughed Mrs. Stubb incredulously. "Why-er-where does a buldog carry his shoes?" "Don't you know, Maria?"

"Why, in his grip, of course."

"No. John."

No Chance to Kick. Ostend-Does money talk, pa?" Pa-No, my son. If money could talk the new ten dollar gold pieces would let out a wall about the eagle in pajamas and the Shakespearean

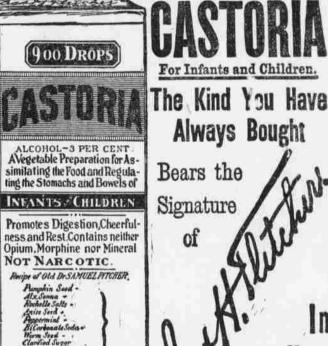
Out to Be Some Special Place. On the way across the Styx a dis pute as to precedence arose. "I used to put pig iron into life preservers," declared one shade. "I made rotten fire hose," said the other.

"Dump 'em both overboard, Charon,' yelled Satan. "I don't want 'em."-Louisville Courier-Journal,

"Fifteen-two and a pair makes four," said Subbubs, who was playing crib bage with Popley. "What have you in "Ah!" replied Popley, absent-mindedly, "just the sweetest little ootsumstootsums girl in the world."

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